

June 12, 2019

NATIONAL HIV TESTING DAY

Free HIV Testing Events in Collier County



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NATIONAL HIV TESTING DAY “DOING IT MY WAY”

Naples, Fla. — June 27, 2019 is National HIV Testing Day (NHTD). This day is recognized to encourage people to get tested for HIV, know their HIV status, and get linked to care and treatment for individuals living with HIV.

HIV is the virus that causes AIDS, and continues to be a major public health issue, claiming more than 35 million lives since the beginning of the epidemic. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), an estimated 1.1 million people in the U.S. have HIV, and 1 in 7 of these individuals are unaware they have it. In Collier County, there are 1,700 reported cases of HIV/AIDS with an average of 50 new cases per year. CDC recommends individuals between the ages of 13 and 64 to get tested for HIV at least once every year as part of their routine health care visit. Sexually active gay and bisexual men may benefit from more frequent testing (every three to six months).

In recognition of National HIV Testing Day, the Florida Department of Health in Collier County (DOH-Collier) and community partners are offering FREE Rapid HIV Testing with same day results.

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
June 17	FREE Rapid HIV Testing: Marion E. Fether Medical Center	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
June 18	FREE Rapid HIV Testing: Marion E. Fether Medical Center	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
June 19	FREE Rapid HIV Testing: Marion E. Fether Medical Center	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
	FREE Rapid HIV Testing, Hepatitis, & STD Screenings DOH-Collier: Naples location only	8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
	FREE Rapid HIV Testing: Planned Parenthood of SWFL	10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
June 20	FREE Rapid HIV Testing: Marion E. Fether Medical Center	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
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June 21	FREE Rapid HIV Testing: Marion E. Fether Medical Center	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

For more information about these events, please contact:

- DOH-Collier Naples: 3339 East Tamiami Trail, Building H, Naples; Call (239) 252-8593
- Marion E. Fether Medical Center: 1454 Madison Ave, Immokalee; Call (239) 658-3000
- Planned Parenthood of SWFL: 1425 Creech RD, Naples; Call (239) 262-0301

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